Case Study Limited Budget, Maximum Growth

Achieve incremental growth with a limited Budget



SEO VS PPC

Why this study?

This case study is to educate businesses that no small investment in SEO is a waste. It provides incremental growth Year over year.

The growth enjoyed from any paid campaigns will decline or stop as soon as we reduce/stop the budget.

In Contrast

SEO and content keep the growth momentum that ensure sustainable growth.







Scenario

The company was investing \$10K/month for paid ads with a CPC of \$2 and investing \$5K/month on SEO for the last 2 years.

\$5K/month

\$10K/month

PPC campaigns



Incremental Growth (PPC)

Let's see the growth that PPC campaign brought to the company

- CPC: \$2
- Conversion rate: 5%
- Investment: \$10K/month
- Year 1 traffic: 500K clicks, 25K conversions (5% Conversion)
- Year 2 traffic: 500K clicks, 20K conversions
- Year 2 CPC increase: \$3/month

Total traffic for the 2-year period: 1M clicks Total conversions for the 2-year period: = 45K conversions

Incremental growth for the paid campaigns: Traffic: 0 clicks (no increase from year 1 to year 2) Conversions: -5K conversions (20% decrease from year 1 to year 2 due to the CPC increase)



Incremental Growth (SEO)

Let's see the growth that SEO campaign brought to the company

- Investment: \$5K/month
- Year 1 traffic: 270K clicks, 12.5K conversions • Year 2 traffic: 375K clicks, 18.75K conversions

Total traffic for the 2-year period: 645K clicks

Total conversions for the 2-year period: 31.25K conversions

Incremental growth for the SEO campaigns:

- Traffic: 312.5K clicks (50% increase from year (to year 2)
- Conversions: 5.25K conversions (50% increase from year 1 to year 2)

On the 2nd year 375K clicks/year

SEO spent =\$10,000

On the 1st year 270K visits/year

Incremental ROI

The worth of traffic value generated by the SEO efforts as follows:

Total investment in SEO for 2 years: \$5K/month * 24 months = **\$120K**

Average monthly traffic value generated by SEO efforts during the 2year period: Let's assume the organic traffic is worth \$2 per click.

At 11,250 visits/month, the traffic value would be \$22,500/month.

Total worth of traffic value generated by SEO efforts after 2 years: 22,500/month * 24 months = \$540,000

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Total investment = \$120,000

Comparison (PPC Cost vs SEO Cost)

Total worth of traffic value generated by SEO efforts after 2 years: \$22,500/month * 24 months = \$540,000/-

For the first year of the paid campaign:

- Total cost of the paid campaign: \$10,000/month * 12 months = \$120,000
- Number of clicks generated: \$120,000 / \$2 CPC = 60,000 clicks
- Traffic value generated: 60,000 clicks * \$2 per click = \$120,000

For the second year of the paid campaign:

- Total cost of the paid campaign:
- \$10,000/month * 12 months = \$120,000
- Number of clicks generated:
- \$120,000 / \$3 CPC = 40,000 clicks
- Traffic value generated:
- 40,000 clicks * \$2 per click = \$80,000

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PPC



SEO \$120,000

Traffic cost



Comparison (PPC Cost vs SEO Cost)

Total traffic generated by the paid campaign over the 2-year period: • 60,000 clicks (first year) + 40,000 clicks (second year) = 100,000 clicks Total traffic generated by the SEO campaign over the 2-year period: • 11,250 clicks/month * 24 months = 270,000 clicks

To achieve the same level of traffic value gener efforts, assuming the same conversion rate of calculate the number of clicks required as:

• \$540,000 / \$2 CPC = 270,000 clicks

So, the total cost of achieving the same level of generated by the SEO efforts through paid adve

• 270,000 clicks * \$3 CPC = \$810,000

Therefore, the paid campaign would have to sp achieve the same traffic value as the 2-year SE

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The Result

Comparing the ROI of SEO and paid advertising, we can see that the SEO campaign generated a traffic value of \$540,000 with an investment of \$120,000, resulting in an ROI of 350%. The paid campaign, on the other hand, generated a traffic value of \$200,000 with an investment of \$240,000, resulting in an ROI of 83%.



